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WORRY IS WASTE

Life is to short to waste any large portion of it it fretting over trifling matters of business. If one will allow one's self to be annoyed by every little mishap that occurs in connection with his business he may readily keep him self in "hot water" by worriment.

There is no sense nor reason in flying in a fit of passion because a careless employee commits some trifling blunder. Constant fretting on the part of the boss makes the clerks nervous and in that condition of mind and body their service is less effective and they are far more liable to make mistakes than otherwise.

Business worry wears a out prematurely and when the habbit of fussing is once acquired it is very difficult to eradicate. There are men who work themselves into a fit of passion over matters not worthy of serious consideration. Others fret becaus they anticipate somthing unpleasent is going to occur in their business. They may have obligation to meet or a note due at the bank an fear their trade cannot be depended upon to tide them over the emergency. But there is no earthly use of allowing such things to trouble trouble untill they actually occur and then any enterprising business man should meet such dificulty will not be so great as was feared.

There is a great difference in men. Some wear them selves out before middle life, become irritable, morses and disagreeable in teeir business; relation even in the conduct of a small business while other men with big business and great resposablit- who are calm and well poised, patient and efficient, lie to a good old age with out shattering theirs nerves or borrowing trouble over trifles and are pleasent to transact business with and succesfully as well.

Worry and fret are the signs of incipacity, also the greatest impediments to success. Be cheerfull and industrious and your health and success in bnsiness is practically assured.

Is blowing bubbles still within the law?

Most of the doctor's calls these days are by telephone.

The horse may be king, but the auto is autocrat of transportation.

The best thing about a flu epidemic is that it never lasts very long.

If Europe wants to find a pot of gold, it will have to go to work and dig.

For a sport that is so generally unpopular profiteering is holding on remarkably well.

Those mysterious wireless messages probably mean that the milky way has developed a punch.

Many a young man has a hard time making his income keep up with his horn rim spectacles.

A Japanese typewriter has 3,000 characters. No wonder the Japs have a reputation for patience.

When prices recede from the peak may all the profiteers be left there high and dry, especially dry!

At present market value of marks it is going to be very hard for some of those war lords to get half, too.

There ought to be a decided saving in the manufacture of men's clothing since hip pockets can now be cut out.

In time of peace the sawed off shotgun and the unlicensed automatic exist for no good purpose whatsoever.

Apparently everybody has a remedy for the ills of the country except the men who are in a position to apply one.

Comparing itself with foreign brands of money, the American dollar may swell with pride if not with purchasing power.

The stream of delusion that flows into the marriage license bureaus shows America is still the land of optimism.

MASTER OF ART OF BLUFF

Indianapolis Youth Had Provided Himself With Material for Emergency He Had Foreseen.

Two Indianapolis girls, who are very close chums, always share confidences about their respective admirers. Now Alice has one, who is much given to fits of temper, during which he always bids her an eternal farewell and gives her back all her little gifts, but the next day, or at the most a few days later, he again visits her and makes peace overtures.

The other girl had long listened sympathetically to him whenever she happened to be along during a quarrel. But the other evening she listened to one which really amused her. And when the young man dramatically tore up a poem he had written to Alice she almost laughed.

The next morning she did really laugh when she retraced her steps of the night before and found just what she had expected—blank pieces of paper. The man had provided himself with a folded paper, exactly like the one on which was the poem he prized so highly, and had it ready for just such an emergency as this one. "Well, this beats even crocodile tears," ejaculated the girl, as she viewed the torn bits.

SERVED TWO GOOD PURPOSES

Burglar Alarm in Tombs of Tartars Told of Burglary and Also Executed Justice.

In Tibet the Tartars have what is possibly the oldest burglar alarm in the world. It was invented as a precaution against the robbing of tombs. When a royal personage died in Tibet he was buried with all his jewels and precious robes. To add a still higher tribute, the most beautiful young women of his court were suffocated and embalmed upon the day of the funeral. This conserved their beauty, and they were placed in a standing position around the tomb of their master, each holding some trinket used by the royal personage during his lifetime.

To protect these treasures from vandals the Tibetans erected an arch of sharply pointed arrows, and whoever passed under this trod upon a release, which discharged the arrows in quick succession. This invention, hidden around the temples and tombs of the rich Tartars, was doubly efficient, as it protected property as well as executed justice without unnecessary trial by jury.

World Needs Men of Initiative.

The world needs the properly balanced man of initiative. He doesn't have to be told. Common sense reveals jobs to him as they need to be done. He's neither afraid of work nor of criticism from the man who does not work. He can say "yes" and he isn't afraid to say "no." For him the world is one great opportunity which will return in benefits what he puts into it in energy. He can stick at a job until it's finished, for he knows that "rolling stones gather no moss." He lets the flighty soar and the "poor worms of the dust" bore. His job lies on the plane of his presence. So he attends to business and makes the most of time and opportunity. His industry helps the world and keeps others to the path of duty.

The Undertaker's Cue.

"Excuse me, sir," said Bilson, a little timidly, "but you appear to be following me. Is there anything you want?"

"Weel, I'm just trying to find where you live, and introduce myself, like. I'm McPherson, the undertaker," said the burly stranger.

"Oh—er—quite so! I'm pleased to meet you, I'm sure! But there's nobody dead at my place."

"Nae, nae," said the undertaker, smiling sweetly. "But I just heard you cough, an' I have hopes."—From Blighty, London.

Difference in Spankings.

Harriet Ann, nearly three, is the granddaughter of Edwin S. Fee of Clarksburg. She lives next door and, going to see her grandfather, she announced joyously:

"I've been spanked."

Grandfather was all sympathy and said: "Oh, did your mother spank you?"

To which Harriet Ann replied: 'No; 'twas my father 'at spanked me—wasn't that unfortunate?"—Indianapolis News.

One Never Gets Any Credit.

It is rather discouraging when the head of the family attempts to be bright and even facetious at the breakfast table and attempts a few dance steps as showing a cheery mind to be told that his new chimpanzee glands seems to be taking hold well.—Grand Rapids Press.

Circumventing the Barrage.

Mrs. Newedd—John, we'll have to have a speaking tube from the dining room to the kitchen.

Newedd—Why?

Mrs. Newedd—Well, I must get some way of talking to the cook without having her throw dishes at me.—Boston Evening Transcript.

Must Be One or the Other.

"That gentleman who just entered is a free thinker."

"Oh, indeed! Is he a bachelor or a widower?"—Philadelphia Record.

Its Sort.

"I see you have an open fireplace in your living room."

"Grate idea, isn't it?"

All His Worldly Goods.

"Was your wife pleased with your raise in salary?" asked White.

"I haven't told her yet, but she will be when she knows it," answered Brown.

"How is it that you haven't told her?"

"Well, I thought I would enjoy it myself a little while first."

JUST FUN



Ho, Hum!

"It says here that the world is not revolving as fast as it did 10,000 years ago," said the Old Fogy, as he looked up from the magazine he was reading.

"Maybe not," commented the Grouch. "But it goes around fast enough to satisfy a man who has a note to meet and no money to pay it."

"Vamped."

"If you will permit me to say so, you have just had a beautiful caller."

"Yes, a book agent," replied the business man, with a faraway look in his eyes.

"What was she selling?"

"I couldn't tell you to save my life. All I know is that she smiled and I bought."

A Lengthy Program.

"You have a pretty good library."

"Yes," replied the patient man. "I have worked twenty years or so accumulating a lot of books and a place to put 'em. Now I'm going to start in and work another twenty years to provide for enough leisure to enable me to read 'em."

Artful Candidate.

"But you can't run for two offices at the same time."

"You dont understand politics," said the veteran campaigner. "I'm going to ballyhoo for one office while I'm pussyfooting for the other. In that way I can't lose."

Made Him Doubt His Judgment.

Friend—What makes you think the new singer won't do? You said her voice was good.

Manager—Well, I did think so at first, but I'm a little doubtful about it now—none of the other singers are jealous of her.



EASILY HIS FAULT.

"What in the world made you jilt Reggie?"

"Oh, he got on my nerves, always asking permission to kiss me."

What Makes the World Go Round.

The world moves on, though you may frown,
Or smile in fortune's cup;
For one half's busy turning down
The cranks that will turn up.
—Cartoons Magazine.

Too Good to Be True.

"My son," said the elderly sage, "beware the man who says he wants to make you rich."

"But he may be sincere."

"There's not that much sincerity in the world."

A Good Memory.

"How does Scribson get the atmosphere for his stories of rural life?"

"He goes up to an office he uses on the twentieth floor of a skyscraper and thinks about the time when he was a boy on the farm."

Bitter.

"You are acquainted with the plaintiff?" asked the lawyer as a mere matter of form.

"No, sir," replied the unhappy defendant. "I merely lived with that woman seven years as her husband."

Strategy.

"Have you given the new housemaid any instructions?"

"No; and why should I?"

"Huh?"

"If I tell her nothing she's bound to do something I want."

Sentence Passed.

"What's the matter, old man? You look as if you'd been sentenced to hard labor for life."

"I'm afraid I have been. Miss de Millyuns has just refused me."

A Business View.

She—So papa said yes. Does he favor a long or a short engagement?

Jack Poore—That depends, he says, if he has to support me, the longer the engagement the better.

Not Interested.

"The golfer must keep the eye strictly on the ball."

"That must be why pretty girls don't go in much for golf."

His Attitude.

"You wouldn't sell your vote to both sides, would you?"

"No, but I don't mind letting both candidates promise me a job."

Quite True.

"Pa, what is a peacemaker?"

"He is a man, my child, whose chief success is in precipitating a fight."

Very Likely.

Jinks—The paper states that Bilson died from a complication of diseases.

Blinks—That's wrong. He died from a complication of doctors. He had six.

Holiday Variety.

First Writer—How do you like this tobacco?

Second Writer—Awful. Smells like you're smoking transfers.

FAMOUS ROMAN FEAST DAY

May 24 Has Been for Centuries a Day of Merrymaking in the Italian Capital.

Though the night of May 23 was "witches night" in Rome no serious accident was reported next day. The witches which fly on broomsticks between the ancient hills of the Caello and Esquilino apparently were afraid of the broom and the basin of salt put outside so many doors and went home in despair.

May 24 is St. John the Baptist's day, one always kept by old-fashioned Romans as a day for eating snails. Snails are the Roman idea of the locusts which St. John the Baptist ate when in the desert. But why witches should try to take possession of Rome on the night before his feast day is a mystery. They do fly about on broomsticks, says popular report, and salt and a broom alone will keep them out of homes.

By some hidden law which the Romans themselves don't try to account for, no witch will enter a house before which stand a basin of salt and a broom until she has counted every grain of salt in the basin and all the wisps in the broom. As the nights are short in May the witch gives up the task in despair, knowing she could never finish her job before sunrise.

The night of May 23 is a great night for the Roman people; they gather in the fields outside St. John Lateran, eat snails, dance, sing and throw flowers at each other.

An odd modern note is given by an enormous merry-go-round, opposite the ancient church dedicated to St. John. Its wooden horses go round and round to American ragtimes, fox trots and bunny-hugs. It is a mixture of old and new worthy of that extraordinary city, where all the centuries get jumbled up together and make friends in a way you might search the world for and not find elsewhere.

The May night festival is older than John the Baptist and marks the tradition of the old Roman springtime jollity called the lupercali. These feasts were in honor of the wolf which fed Romulus and Remus, the twin founders of the city. A real live wolf is kept in the capitol till that day in memory of this one; for had there been no wolf to feed the twins there would be no Rome today, the Romans argue.

Is It Pseudo-Science?

Human intellect is so partial to a generalization that even men of science constantly are guilty of generalizing upon an insufficient basis of facts. A learned professor of the University of Cincinnati invites us to believe that the older the parents the better the chances of distinction for the children.

He draws his conclusion from what he says are the facts concerning cattle and horses. But only the other day we read a dissertation by another scientist warning against taking for criterion the history of the domestic animals, asserting that the human race, as far as heredity is concerned is as much a wild species as lions, elephants, or wolves.

The Cincinnati savant also derives his induction from the facts concerning the parentage of illustrious men, Franklin, Lincoln, Newton, for instance, the sum of whose parents' ages at their birth was high. Yet it is a fact that the mother of Napoleon at the time of his birth was but eighteen and his father scarcely thirty. And the illustration can be repeated many times.

Make Study of Botulism.

A sum of money has been raised by the olive growers and the canning industry for an intensive study of botulism in California. According to Science, the investigation will be conducted in the laboratories of the Stanford University Medical school and the George William Hooper Foundation for Medical Research of the University of California, and the co-operation of the United States health service and the California state board of health. The investigation will include a careful study of the distribution of the bacillus botulinus in nature, of the ways in which food materials may become infected, and of the steps necessary to destroy the organism when it has infected raw food materials. A staff of specially trained workers has been engaged and it is expected that the work will require at least two years.

Impressing the Office Boy.

"The secret of success, son," said the boss to the new boy, "is absolute, complete consecration of time to business."

"Yes, sir."

"In our establishment, we never look at the clock—never look at the clock—"

"I won't sir."

"That's right, my boy. Never look at the clock when you're at the office. Never look at the clock except in the morning, look at the alarm clock, son—early to work, never at home, makes a man independent. That'll do, son; now get the duster."—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Ancient Inquiry.

"We are still seeking," said the scientist, "to ascertain the exact purpose for which the pyramids of Egypt were constructed."

"Yes," replied Senator Sorghum, absent-mindedly. 'Some of these investigations do take a long time."

Horse Racing Records.

The Year Book credits 35,065 trotters with records of a mile in 2:30 or better and 26,670 pacers in the 2:25 list.

Foreign exchange may be in a bad way, but the exchange of dollars for mere necessities of life is worse.

No man protests any more because there is only one oyster in the stew. He's tickled to death to get that.

A lot of fellows are wondering how the world could get $200,000,000,000 into debt without betting on the races.

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